



Proclamation

African Heritage Month February 2019

WHEREAS, the Halifax Regional Municipality is committed to celebrating the cultural heritage of all citizens; and

WHEREAS, February is recognized internationally as African Heritage Month – a time to recognize and salute the many contributions and ongoing achievements of Black people all over the world; and

WHEREAS, 2019 marks the 35th year the Black History Month Association has celebrated the achievements of African Nova Scotians in Halifax; and

WHEREAS, this year's theme "**OUR HISTORY IS YOUR HISTORY**" recognizes the unique history of African Nova Scotians and how it is interwoven with the past, present and future of all Nova Scotians. By celebrating African Heritage Month, we recognize these legacies and embrace the contributions of African Nova Scotians to Halifax Regional Municipality, Nova Scotia and Canada at large. When we all acknowledge and understand the truth of this shared history, we can all look to the future with confidence and optimism.

WHEREAS, this year's theme also aligns with the 2015 to 2024 global observance of the United Nations International Decade for People of African Descent which focus is on strengthening global cooperation in support of people of African descent as they strive for full inclusion in all aspects of society

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that I, Mayor Mike Savage, on behalf of Halifax Regional Council, do hereby proclaim February 2019 as "African Heritage Month" in the Halifax Regional Municipality.

Dated at Halifax, Nova Scotia
this 1st day of February 2019



Original Signed

Mike Savage
Mayor